

## STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed Bids addressed to the Maine Department of Transportation, Augusta, Maine 04333 and endorsed on the wrapper "Bid for Houlton I-95 Mooers Rd. - Canadian Border, Gateway to Maine- Planting, in the town of **Houlton**" will be received from contractors at the Reception Desk, Temporary Transportation Building in Winthrop, Maine, until 11:00 o'clock A.M. (prevailing time) on Feb. 12, 2003, and at that time and place publicly opened and read. Bids will be accepted only from contractors prequalified by the Department of Transportation for Landscape projects. All other Bids will be rejected. **MDOT is currently transitioning to provide for the option of electronic bidding. We now accept electronic bids for those bid packages posted on our electronic bid website. Electronic bids do not have to be accompanied by paper bids. However, during this transition, dual bids (one paper, one electronic) will be accepted, with the paper copy taking precedence. For those who chose to submit a paper bid alone, nothing has changed.**

Description: Maine Federal Aid Project No. IM-1024(900)E, PIN 10249.00

Location: In Aroostook County, project is located on Interstate 95 between Mooers Road, in Houlton, and the Canadian Border.

Outline of Work: Planting to improve the aesthetics, reduce intensively maintained acreage and other incidental work.

For general information regarding Bidding and Contracting procedures, contact Bruce Carter at (207)624-3430. Our webpage at <http://www.state.me.us/mdot/project/design/homepg.htm> contains a copy of the schedule of items, Plan Holders List, written portions of bid amendments (not drawings), and bid results. For Project-specific information fax all questions to **Project Manager, Robert LaRoche** at (207)624-3101. Questions received after 12:00 noon of Monday prior to bid date will not be answered. Bidders shall not contact any other Departmental staff for clarification of Contract provisions, and the Department will not be responsible for any interpretations so obtained. Hearing impaired persons may call the Telecommunication Device for the Deaf at (207)287-3392.

Plans, specifications and bid forms may be seen at the Maine Department of Transportation, Temporary Transportation Building in Winthrop, Maine and at the Department of Transportation's Division Office in Presque Isle. They may be purchased from the Department between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. by cash, credit card (Visa/Mastercard) or check payable to Treasurer, State of Maine sent to Maine Department of Transportation, Attn.: Mailroom, 16 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0016. They also may be purchased by telephone at (207)624-3536 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Bid Book \$10 (\$13 by mail), Single Sheets \$2, payment in advance, all non-refundable. Note: There is no planting plan for this project.

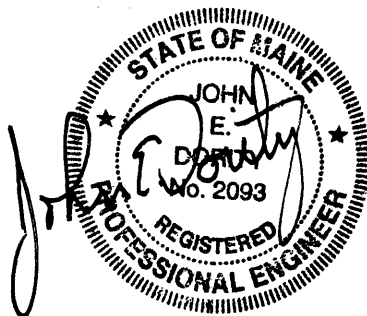
Each Bid must be made upon blank forms provided by the Department and must be accompanied by a bid bond at 5% of the bid amount or an official bank check, cashier's check, certified check, certificate of deposit, or United States postal money order in the amount of \$2300.00 payable to Treasurer, State of Maine as a Bid guarantee. A Contract Performance Surety Bond and a Contract Payment Surety Bond, each in the amount of 100 percent of the Contract price, will be required of the successful Bidder.

This Contract is subject to all applicable Federal Laws. This contract is subject to compliance with the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise program requirements as set forth by the Maine Department of Transportation.

All work shall be governed by "State of Maine, Department of Transportation, Standard Specifications, Revision of December 2002", price \$10 [\$13 by mail], and Standard Details, Revision of December 2002, price \$20 [\$25 by mail] as updated through the advertisement date for this project. Standard Detail updates can be found at <http://www.state.me.us/mdot/project/design/homepg.htm>

The right is hereby reserved to the MDOT to reject any or all Bids.

Winthrop, Maine  
January 22, 2003



JOHN E. DORITY  
CHIEF ENGINEER